

J. F. SEYMOUR SHOT DEAD.

VERY MYSTERIOUSLY KILLED IN THE

EPISCOPAL SEMINARY GROUNDS.

Bishop Seymour's Brother-in-Law Found

with Bullets Through His Head—No

Signs of Struggle, and No Known Motive

for Assassination—The Different Theories

Piercing shrieks by a woman startled the

neighborhood of Twenty-first street and Fourth

avenue about 2 o'clock yesterday morning.

Policeman Sands of the Twenty-first street station

heard the cries while passing his beat two

blocks distant. Guided by the woman's cries, he

passed down Twenty-first street to near Third

avenue, and found that the cries proceeded

from the grounds of the General Theological

Seminary of the Protestant Episcopal Church,

which institution consists of two buildings in

the center of the block bounded by Twentieth

and Twenty-first streets and Ninth and Tenth

avenues. Seizing the fence, the officer found

lying stretched upon the ground in a grove of

trees, and bleeding from a pistol shot wound in

the breast, John F. Seymour, brother-in-law of

Bishop George F. Seymour, Dean of the seminary.

The shrieks came from his wife, the

Bishop's sister, who exclaimed piteously as she

saw the body and then ran to the fence, crying

"They've murdered my husband! They've

killed him!"

Bishop Seymour was with her, vainly trying

to appease her grief, but she passionately flung

herself upon her husband's body and in the in-

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INCIDENTS OF THE DAY.

MANY PEOPLE INJURED IN MANY

DIFFERENT WAYS.

The Heavy Storm in the Evening that Freight-

car Retaining Passengers on the Excursion

Train—Several of the Passengers Killed.

On the six steamers of the new line to the

Coney Island pier, the Grand Republic was

advertised to leave the pier of East Twenty-second

street at 7 o'clock last evening, with a 20,000

candle power electric light on deck, and under

a bright moon, while the J. B. Schuyler was

to leave at 8 o'clock. Owing to the storm,

however, the Republic sailed at 10 o'clock, and

her Twenty-second landing, and then returned

to her Twenty-second street pier. She had few

passengers and her electric light was invisible.

The Schuyler starting from Twenty-second

street at about 9 o'clock made a moonless

excursion down to Gravesend Bay, where

she was overtaken by lightning and the

passengers could discern two electric lights

across Coney Island's sand, with the skeleton

observatory between them. Capt. Barber said

he could go around the point and land at

the pier if he wanted to, in spite of the

weather, but that it was an unpleasant sight.

Thereafter the Republic sailed on, and

her electric light was visible. The Republic

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SEVERE STORMS IN THE WEST.

Buildings Blown Down, Several Persons

Killed, and Many Injured.

St. PAUL, Minn., July 4.—The heaviest

storm ever known in Minnesota occurred on

Wednesday evening. Five inches of rain fell

in fifteen hours—the greatest amount

since the Signal Service Office was established.

The damage to property is considerable. It is

confined to flooded streets and cellars, burst

cans, and one or two buildings undermined.

Trains are delayed on all the railroads by wash-

outs, and none arrived on or departed from the

city until last night. The storm extended all

over this State and northwestern Wisconsin,

in which regions there was a great fall of

lightning. The details come in slowly, but they

indicate that great damage has been done.

In Vasa, Goodhue County, Minn., seven

persons were killed and thirty injured by light-

ning and the falling of buildings. No particu-

lars have been received from there yet.

At Vasa, Minn., the storm was a fearful

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KILLED BY HIS NEIGHBOR.

A TRAGEDY THAT FOLLOWED A QUAR-

REL ABOUT THE FOURTH.

The Fatal Dispute that Grew Out of George

Sisk's Friend, Black Currier—A Shot

Claimed to have been Fired in Self-Defense.

At a very early hour yesterday morning,

long before the Fourth of July dawned upon

State Island, a shocking tragedy happened in

Tomlinville. George Sisk, an Irishman, 34

years of age, lived with his wife in Monroe

avenue, near Quarantine Landing. He was a

polisher by trade, and had been so for many

years. He was a steady, hard-working

man, a